



Chinook's Edge School Division Visioning Project Charter



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This charter serves to announce the initiation of the **CESD Visioning: NOW - 2015 – 2030** project. We are undertaking this project over the next 18 months to engage CESD stakeholders in defining and adopting a renewed vision to take CESD forward from now to 2030.

Over the past two years, the Alberta Education *Inspiring Education* and *Setting the Direction* dialogues have signaled the need for the transformation of the educational system in Alberta to enable us to prepare our students for the future. The overarching question they are posing - as they continue the dialogue through *Inspiring Action on Education*, is “What will we, the people of Alberta, require of education 20 years out?”

Through various initiatives and the participation of key stakeholders, CESD has influenced Alberta Education discussions and exhibited leadership in the transformation of education. As well, current educational research has focused on developing 21st Century learning skills and competencies for all learners. This research has been foundational in the development of CESD initiatives and programs to improve student learning and teaching.

The current vision and mission statements have been in place since the inception of CESD in 1995 with some minor revisions. Thus, in concert with the provincial direction and current research, it is timely to renew our CESD vision and mission to provide direction into the future.

A previous CESD Board replaced the signature line “Schools on the Leading Edge” with “Where Students Come First” to focus our commitment on students. As well, a few years ago the CESD values statements were developed with significant stakeholder input. During the visioning project, the signature line and value statements will be revisited to encourage recommitment to CESD our commitment and values.

Dr. Dot Negropontes has been selected to facilitate this project. She will be facilitating a *Guiding Coalition of Stakeholders* to develop and implement a process to engage stakeholders in **CESD Visioning: NOW - 2015 – 2030**.

Thank you.

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